

HOUSE No. 2407

By Mr. Walsh of Boston, petition of Martin J. Walsh and others for legislation to establish a maximum flamability for floor finishing products. Public Safety and Homeland Security.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

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In the Year Two Thousand and Seven.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO FLOOR FINISHING PRODUCTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 94 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting
2 the following new subsection:—

3 FLOOR FINISHING PRODUCTS.

4 Section 288A.

5 Sections 288A – 288B apply to the sale or for use, and use of
6 flammable and combustible floor finishing products.

7 Section 288B. Definitions.

8 “Floor Finishing Product”. Any liquid or mixture used for any
9 floor finishing operation, or formulated, marketed or otherwise
10 intended for such use, including but not limited to any paint, varnish,
11 lacquer, stain, or wax.

12 “Floor Finishing Operation”. The sanding of and application of
13 any penetrating sealant or liquid coating that forms a hardened film
14 to the surface of a wood floor, thereby altering the wood surface

15 Section 288C. General Prohibitions.

16 It shall be unlawful to sell or offer for sale in Massachusetts any
17 flammable floor finishing product with a flashpoint below 100
18 degrees Fahrenheit.